

STATE OF IOWA
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
UTILITIES BOARD

IN RE: QWEST CORPORATION AND MID-IOWA TELEPHONE COOPERATIVE ASSOCIATION	DOCKET NO. NIA-01-9
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**ORDER DOCKETING NEGOTIATED INTERCONNECTION
AGREEMENT FOR COMMENTS**

(Issued April 5, 2001)

On March 28, 2001, Qwest Corporation and Mid-Iowa Telephone Cooperative Association filed a negotiated interconnection agreement with the Utilities Board (Board) pursuant to 47 U.S.C. § 252(e). The proceeding to review the agreement is identified as Docket No. NIA-01-9. The parties to the negotiation or any interested party may submit written comments supporting approval or rejection of the agreement within 30 days of the filing pursuant to 199 IAC 38.7(4). Accordingly, the Board will accept written comments filed on or before April 27, 2001.

The Board will determine what procedures are appropriate for review of the amended agreement after any comments are filed. Pursuant to 47 U.S.C. § 252(e)(4), the Board must approve or reject a negotiated interconnection agreement within 90 days of the submission or the agreement will be deemed approved.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

1. The proceeding to review the negotiated interconnection agreement as filed on March 28, 2001, by Qwest Corporation and Mid-Iowa Telephone Cooperative Association, shall be identified as Docket No. NIA-01-9.

2. Comments supporting approval or rejection of the amended agreement by the parties to the negotiation or other interested parties shall be filed on or before April 27, 2001.

UTILITIES BOARD

/s/ Allan T. Thoms

/s/ Susan J. Frye

ATTEST:

/s/ Judi K. Cooper
Acting Executive Secretary

/s/ Diane Munns

Dated at Des Moines, Iowa, this 5th day of April, 2001.